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(Case No. 98,162)

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DeGendt, et al. )  
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For: METHOD FOR REMOVING ORGANIC )  
CONTAMINANTS FROM A )  
A SEMICONDUCTOR SURFACE )

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 12, 2002**

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 12, 2002, please enter the following remarks and amendments in the above-referenced patent application. A Petition for extension of the time necessary for reply to the Office Action is made herein.